

Generalized 2-Complement Of Set Domination

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Abstract: Let $G=(V,E)$ be a simple, undirected, finite nontrivial graph. A set $S \subseteq V$ of vertices of a graph $G = (V, E)$ is called a dominating set if every vertex $v \in V$ is either an element of S or is adjacent to an element of S . A set $S \subseteq V$ is a set dominating set if for every set $T \subseteq V-S$, there exists a non-empty set $R \subseteq S$ such that the subgraph $\langle RUT \rangle$ is connected. The minimum cardinality of a set dominating set is called set domination number and it is denoted by $\gamma_s(G)$. Let $P=(V_1, V_2)$ be a partition of V , from $E(G)$ remove the edges between V_1 and V_2 in G and join the edges between V_1 and V_2 which are not in G . The graph G_2^P thus obtained is called 2-complement of G with respect to ' P '.

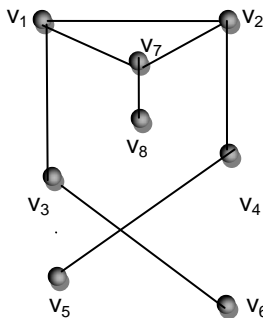
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Introduction: 1.1

Let $G=(V,E)$ be a simple, undirected, finite nontrivial graph and $P=(V_1, V_2, \dots, V_k)$ be a partition of V of order $k > 1$. The k -complement G_k^P of G (with respect to P) is defined as follows: For all V_i and V_j in P $i \neq j$ remove the edges between V_i and V_j in G and join the edges between V_i and V_j which are not in G . The graph thus obtained is called the k -complement of G with respect to P . In this paper 2-complement is considered. Let $G=(V,E)$ be a connected graph. A set $S \subseteq V$ is a set dominating set if for every set $T \subseteq V-S$, there exists a non-empty set $R \subseteq S$ such that the subgraph $\langle RUT \rangle$ is connected. The minimum cardinality of a set dominating set is called set domination number and it is denoted by $\gamma_s(G)$. In the following example the set domination number γ_s is calculated.

Example:1.2

Consider the following graph G :



Let $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the vertices of G , $S = \{v_2, v_3, v_4, v_7\}$. For every $T \subseteq V-S$ there exists a nonempty set $R \subseteq S$ such that $\langle RUT \rangle$ is connected.

Here, $\gamma_s(G) = 4$.

Theorem: 1.3

When $G=K_n$ ($n \geq 3$), $\gamma_s(G_2^P) = 1 + \min\{|V_1|, |V_2|\}$.

Proof:-

Let $V(K_n) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ and (V_1, V_2) be a partition of G . Suppose

$V_1 = \{v_1\}$ & $V_2 = \{v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\}$. Here $\langle \{v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\} \rangle$ form a complete graph with $n-1$ vertices in G_2^P . Also v_1 is not adjacent to v_i 's, $2 \leq i \leq n$. Here a

γ_s - set is $\{v_1, v_2\}$. Therefore $\gamma_s(G_2^P) = 2 = 1 + 1 = 1 + \min\{1, n-1\} = 1 + \min\{|V_1|, |V_2|\}$.

Suppose $V_1 = \{v_1, v_2\}$ & $V_2 = \{v_3, v_4, \dots, v_n\}$. Then in G_2^P , $\langle \{v_3, v_4, \dots, v_n\} \rangle$ form a complete graph with $n-2$ vertices. Also v_1 & v_2 are adjacent. And in G_2^P , $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$ and $\langle v_3, v_4, \dots, v_n \rangle$ are disjoint. Here γ_s - set is $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ for G_2^P . Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^P) = 3 = 1 + 2 = 1 + \min\{2, n-2\} = 1 + \min\{|V_1|, |V_2|\}$.

Suppose $V_1 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ & $V_2 = \{v_4, v_5, \dots, v_n\}$. Then the induced subgraph $\langle \{v_1, v_2, v_3\} \rangle$ form a complete graph with 3 vertices the induced subgraph $\langle \{v_4, v_5, \dots, v_n\} \rangle$ form a complete graph with $n-3$ vertices. And in G_2^P , $\langle v_1, v_2, v_3 \rangle$ and $\langle v_4, v_5, \dots, v_n \rangle$ are disjoint. Here a γ_s - set is $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$. Here $\gamma_s(G_2^P) = 4 = 1 + 3 = 1 + \min\{3, n-3\} = 1 + \min\{|V_1|, |V_2|\}$. if $n \geq 6$ (that is $n-3 \geq 3$) or $\{v_1\} \cup V_2$ for a γ_s - set if $3 \leq n < 6$

Suppose $V_1 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\}$ & $V_2 = \{v_{m+1}, v_{m+2}, \dots, v_n\}$. ($m > 3$). Without loss of generality $|V_1| < |V_2|$.

Then the induced subgraph $\langle \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\} \rangle$ and $\langle \{v_{m+1}, v_{m+2}, \dots, v_n\} \rangle$ form a complete graph in G_2^P . And in G_2^P , $\langle \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\} \rangle$ and $\langle v_{m+1}, v_{m+2}, \dots, v_n \rangle$ are disjoint. Here a γ_s - set is $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m, v_{m+1}\}$. Here $\gamma_s(G_2^P) = m+1 = 1 + m = 1 + \min\{|V_1|, |V_2|\}$

Suppose $|V_1| > |V_2|$ then $\{v_1, v_{m+1}, v_{m+2}, \dots, v_n\}$ form a complete graph in G_2^P . $\{v_1\} \cup V_2$ is a γ_s - set. Therefore by the same procedure it can be proved that if $V_1 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n-3}\}$, $V_2 = \{v_{n-2}, v_{n-1}, v_n\}$. Then in G_2^P , a γ_s - set is $\{v_1, v_{n-2}, v_{n-1}, v_n\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^P) = 4 = 1 + 3 = 1 + \min\{3, n-3\} = 1 + \min\{|V_1|, |V_2|\}$ if $|V_1| > |V_2|$.

Suppose $|V_1| < |V_2|$ then $V_1 \cup \{v_n\}$ is a γ_s - set. Therefore $\gamma_s(G_2^P) = n-3+1 = 1+n-3 = 1 + \min\{|V_1|, |V_2|\}$.

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If $V_1 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n-2}\}$ and $V_2 = \{v_{n-1}, v_n\}$. Then in G_2^p , $\langle \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n-2}\} \rangle$ is a complete graph with $n-2$ vertices and v_{n-1} and v_n are adjacent. Hence γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_{n-1}, v_n\}$. Therefore $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 3 = 1 + 2 = 1 + \min\{2, n-2\} = 1 + \min\{|V_1|, |V_2|\}$ if $|V_1| > |V_2|$.

Suppose $|V_1| < |V_2|$ then $V_2 \cup \{v_1\}$ is a γ_s -set. Therefore $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = n-2+1 = 1+n-2 = 1 + \min\{|V_1|, |V_2|\}$.

If $V_1 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n-1}\}$ and $V_2 = \{v_n\}$ then in G_2^p , $\langle \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n-1}\} \rangle$ is a complete graph with $n-1$ vertices and v_n is not adjacent to v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n-1} , the corresponding γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_n\}$. Therefore $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2 = 1 + 1 = 1 + \min\{n-1, 1\} = 1 + \min\{|V_1|, |V_2|\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 1 + \min\{|V_1|, |V_2|\}$.

Theorem : 1.4

Let G be a Complete bipartite graph with partition (V_1, V_2) , where $V_1 = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m\}$ and $V_2 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ and $m \leq n$. Let (W_1, W_2) be a partition of $V(G_2^p)$ then

$$\gamma_s(G_2^p) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} = 1 \quad \text{if } |W_k| = V_1 - \{u_i\} \text{ or } W_k = V_2 - \\ \{u_j\} \text{ where } 1 \leq i \leq m \text{ and} \\ 1 \leq j \leq n \text{ and } k=1,2 \\ n+m \text{ if } W_k = V_1 \text{ or } V_2 \text{ for } k=1,2 \\ 2 \text{ Otherwise.} \end{array} \right.$$

Proof:

Let $m \leq n$.

case 1:

If $W_1 = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{m-1}\}$ and $W_2 = \{u_m, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ then in G_2^p , u_m is adjacent to all other vertices. Therefore γ_s -set is $\{u_m\}$. Hence

$$\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 1.$$

If $W_1 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n-1}\}$ and $W_2 = \{v_n, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m\}$ then in G_2^p , v_n is adjacent to all other vertices. Therefore γ_s -set is $\{v_n\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 1$.

Case:2

If $W_1 = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m\}$ and $W_2 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ then G_2^p is the disjoint union of an isolated vertices. Therefore γ_s -set is $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = n+m$

Case:3

If $W_1 = \{u_1\}$ and $V_2 = \{u_2, u_3, \dots, u_m, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ then u_1 is adjacent to u_2, u_3, \dots, u_m and u_2 is adjacent to v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n . Therefore γ_s -set is $\{u_1, u_2\}$. Hence

$$\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2.$$

If $W_1 = \{u_2\}$ and $V_2 = \{u_1, u_3, u_4, \dots, u_m, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ then u_2 is adjacent to u_1, u_3, \dots, u_m and u_1 is adjacent to v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n . Therefore γ_s -set is $\{u_1, u_2\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2$.

Proceeding like this if $W_1 = \{u_m\}$ and $V_2 = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{m-1}, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ then u_m is adjacent to u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{m-1} and u_1 is adjacent to v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n and u_{m-1} is adjacent to v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{u_1, u_m\}$. Hence

$$\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2.$$

And if $W_1 = \{u_1, u_2\}, W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then u_1 is adjacent to u_3, u_4, \dots, u_m and u_2 is adjacent to u_3, u_4, \dots, u_m . Also u_3 is adjacent to v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n . u_m is adjacent to v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{u_1, u_3\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2$.

And if $W_1 = \{u_1, u_3\}, W_2 = V \setminus W_1$, then u_1 is adjacent to u_4, u_5, \dots, u_m and u_3 is adjacent to v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{u_1, u_2\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2$.

And if $W_1 = \{u_1, u_4\}, W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then u_1 is adjacent to u_2, u_3, \dots, u_{m-1} and u_2 is adjacent to v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{u_1, u_2\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2$.

And if $W_1 = \{u_2, u_3\}, W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then u_2 is adjacent to u_4, u_5, \dots, u_m and u_3 is adjacent to v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{u_2, u_3\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2$.

Proceeding like this, if And if $W_1 = \{u_{m-1}, u_m\}, W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then u_{m-1} is adjacent to u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{m-2} and u_1 is adjacent to $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n, u_m$. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{u_1, u_{m-1}\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2$.

Also, if $W_1 = \{u_1, v_1\}, W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then u_1 is adjacent to $v_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_m$ and u_2 is adjacent to v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{u_1, u_2\}$. Hence

$$\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2.$$

If $W_1 = \{u_1, u_2, v_1\}, W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then u_1 is adjacent to u_3, u_4, \dots, u_m and u_3 is adjacent to $u_1, u_2, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{u_1, u_3\}$. Hence

$$\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2.$$

If $W_1 = \{u_1, u_2, v_{n-1}, v_n\}, W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then u_1 is adjacent to $u_3, u_4, \dots, u_m, v_{n-1}, v_n$ and u_3 is adjacent to u_1, u_2, v_1, v_2 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{u_1, u_3\}$. Hence

$$\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2.$$

If $W_1 = \{u_1, u_m, v_{n-1}, v_n\}, W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then u_1 is adjacent to u_2, u_3, v_{n-1}, v_n and u_2 is adjacent to $v_1, v_2, u_1, u_4, u_5, \dots, u_m$. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{u_1, u_2\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2$.

Proceeding like this if $W_1 = \{u_{m-1}, u_m, v_{n-1}, v_n\}, W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then u_{m-1} is adjacent to $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{m-2}, v_{n-1}, v_n$ and u_1 is adjacent to v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n-2} . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{u_1, u_{m-1}\}$. Hence

$$\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2.$$

The above discussion have explained all the possibilities and the theorem is proved.

Theorem:1.5

Let G be a star $(K_{1,n}$ where $n \geq 3$). Let u be the star center and u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n be the pendant of G . Let (W_1, W_2) be the partition of G_2^p .

Then $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } W_k = \{u, u_j\}, 1 \leq j \leq n, \\ n+1 & \text{if } W_k = \{u\}, k=1,2 \\ 2 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Proof:
case:1

If $W_1 = \{u, u_1\}$, $W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then u_1 is adjacent to all other vertices. Also, G_2^p is again a star with u_1 is the star center. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{u_1\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 1$.

If $W_1 = \{u, u_2\}$, $W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then u_2 is adjacent to all other vertices. Also, G_2^p is again a star with u_2 is the star center. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{u_2\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 1$.

Proceeding like this, if $W_1 = \{u, u_n\}$, $W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then u_n is adjacent to all other vertices. Also, G_2^p is again a star with u_n is the star center. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{u_n\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 1$.

case:2

If $W_1 = \{u\}$ and $W_2 = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ then G_2^p is the disjoint union of an isolated vertices. G_2^p is a disconnected graph. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{u, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = n+1$.

case:3

If $W_1 = \{u_1, u_2\}$, $W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then u_2 is adjacent to u_3, u_4, \dots, u_n and u_1 is adjacent to u_3, u_4, \dots, u_n . Also u is adjacent to u_3, u_4, \dots, u_n . Therefore a

γ_s -set is $\{u, u_n\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2$.

If $W_1 = \{u_2, u_3\}$, $W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then u_2 is adjacent to $u_1, u_4, u_5, \dots, u_n$ and u_3 is adjacent to $u_1, u_4, u_5, \dots, u_n$. Also u is adjacent to $u_1, u_4, u_5, \dots, u_n$. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{u, u_n\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2$.

Proceeding like this,

If $W_1 = \{u_{n-1}, u_n\}$, $W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then u_{n-1} is adjacent to u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{n-2} and u_n is adjacent to u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{n-2} . Also u is adjacent to u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{n-2} . Therefore a

γ_s -set is $\{u, u_{n-2}\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2$.

Also, if $W_1 = \{u_1\}$ and $W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then u_1 is adjacent to u_2, u_3, \dots, u_m and u is adjacent to u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n . Therefore γ_s -set is $\{u, u_1\}$. Hence

$\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2$.

If $W_1 = \{u_2\}$ and $W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then u_2 is adjacent to $u_1, u_3, u_4, \dots, u_m$ and u is adjacent to $u_1, u_3, u_4, \dots, u_n$. Therefore γ_s -set is $\{u, u_2\}$. Hence

$\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2$.

Proceeding like this, if $W_1 = \{u_n\}$ and $W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then u is adjacent to u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{n-1} and u_n is adjacent to u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{n-1} . Therefore γ_s -set is $\{u, u_n\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2$.

Theorem: 1.6

Let G be a Cycle with n vertices (n=4) say v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n .

Then $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } W_k = \{v_j\}, 1 \leq j \leq n, k=1,2 \\ 2 & \text{if } W_k = \{v_j \cup N(v_j)\}, 1 \leq j \leq n, k=1,2 \\ n & \text{if } W_k \text{ has alternative vertices for} \end{cases}$

k=1,2

Proof:

case:1

If $W_1 = \{v_1\}$ and $W_2 = \{v_2, v_3, v_4\}$ then v_3 is adjacent to all other vertices. Therefore γ_s -set is $\{v_3\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2$.

If $W_1 = \{v_2\}$ and $W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then v_4 is adjacent to all other vertices. Therefore γ_s -set is $\{v_4\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 1$.

If $W_1 = \{v_3\}$ and $W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then v_1 is adjacent to all other vertices. Therefore γ_s -set is $\{v_1\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 1$.

case:2

If $W_1 = \{v_1, v_2\}$, $W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then G_2^p is again a cycle with four vertices. Here v_1 and v_2 are adjacent vertices. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_2\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2$.

If $W_1 = \{v_2, v_3\}$, $W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then in G_2^p v_2 and v_3 are adjacent vertices. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_2, v_3\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2$.

case:3

If $W_1 = \{v_1, v_3\}$, $W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then G_2^p is union of isolated vertices. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2$.

Theorem: 1.7

Let G be a Cycle with n vertices (n=5) say v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n .

Then $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } W_k = \{v_j \cup N(v_j)\}, 1 \leq j \leq n, k=1,2 \\ 2 & \text{if } W_k = \{v_j\}, 1 \leq j \leq n, k=1,2 \\ 3 & \text{if } W_k \text{ has alternative vertices for} \end{cases}$

k=1,2

Proof:

case:1

If $W_1 = \{v_1, v_2\}$, $W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then v_4 is adjacent to all other vertices. Also v_1 and v_2 are adjacent vertices. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_4\}$. Hence

$\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 1$.

If $W_1 = \{v_2, v_3\}$, $W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then v_5 is adjacent to all other vertices. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_5\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 1$.

If $W_1 = \{v_3, v_4\}$, $W_2 = V \setminus W_1$ then v_1 is adjacent to all other vertices. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_4\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 1$.

If $W_1=\{v_4,v_5\}$, $W_2=\setminus W_1$ then v_2 is adjacent to all other vertices. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_2\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=1$.

If $W_1=\{v_1,v_5\}$, $W_2=\setminus W_1$ then v_3 is adjacent to all other vertices. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_3\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=1$.

case:2

If $W_1=\{v_1\}$ and $V_2=\setminus W_1$ then there exists a path from v_2 to v_5 and v_1 is adjacent to v_3 and v_5 . Therefore γ_s -set is $\{v_3,v_4\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2$.

If $W_1=\{v_2\}$ and $V_2=\setminus W_1$ then there exists a path from v_3 to v_5 and v_1 is adjacent to v_5 . Also v_2 is adjacent to v_4 and v_5 . Therefore γ_s -set is $\{v_4,v_5\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2$.

If $W_1=\{v_3\}$ and $V_2=\setminus W_1$ then v_3 is adjacent to v_1 and v_5 . Also v_1 is adjacent to v_2 and v_5 . Also v_4 is adjacent to v_5 . Therefore γ_s -set is $\{v_1,v_5\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2$.

If $W_1=\{v_4\}$ and $V_2=\setminus W_1$ then there exists a path from v_1 to v_3 and v_4 is adjacent to v_1 and v_3 . Also v_1 is adjacent to v_5 . Therefore γ_s -set is $\{v_1,v_2\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2$.

If $W_1=\{v_5\}$ and $V_2=\setminus W_1$ then there exists a path from v_1 to v_4 and v_5 is adjacent to v_2 and v_3 . Therefore γ_s -set is $\{v_2,v_3\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2$.

case:3

If $W_1=\{v_2,v_4\}$, $W_2=\setminus W_1$ then v_3 is an isolated vertex. And v_1 is adjacent to v_4 and v_5 . Also v_2 is adjacent to v_5 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1,v_3,v_5\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=3$.

If $W_1=\{v_1,v_3\}$, $W_2=\setminus W_1$ then v_2 is an isolated vertex. And v_1 is adjacent to v_4 . Also v_4 is adjacent to v_5 and v_3 is adjacent to v_5 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_2,v_4,v_5\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=3$.

Theorem: 1.8

Let G be a Cycle with n vertices ($n \geq 6$) say v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n .

Then $\gamma_s(G_2^p) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } W_k = \{v_s, v_{s+1}, v_{s+2}\}, 1 \leq j \leq n, k=1,2 \\ 2 & \text{if } W_k = \{v_1, v_2\} \text{ or } \{v_{n-1}, v_n\} \text{ or } \{v_1, v_n\} \text{ or } \{v_s, v_{s+1}, v_{s+2}, v_{s+3}\} 1 \leq j \leq n, k=1,2 \\ 3 & \text{if } W_k = \{v_i\}, 1 \leq j \leq n, k=1,2 \text{ or } \{v_r, v_s\} \text{ where } v_r \text{ and } v_s \text{ are alternative vertices.} \\ 4 & \text{if } W_k \text{ contains alternative vertices when n is odd for } k=1,2 \\ 5 & \text{if } W_k \text{ contains alternative vertices when n is even for } k=1,2 \end{cases} e$

Proof:

Let v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n are such that v_i and v_{i+1} are adjacent vertices where

$1 \leq i \leq n-1$ and v_n is adjacent to v_1 .

If $W_1=\{v_1,v_2,v_3\}$, $W_2=\setminus W_1$ then v_2 is adjacent to all other vertices of W_2 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_2\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=1$.

If $W_1=\{v_2,v_3,v_4\}$, $W_2=\setminus W_1$ then v_3 is adjacent to v_2 and v_4 and all other vertices of W_2 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_3\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=1$.

Proceeding like this

If $W_1=\{v_{n-2}, v_{n-1}, v_n\}$, $W_2=\setminus W_1$ then v_{n-1} is adjacent to v_{n-2} and v_n and all other vertices of W_2 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_{n-1}\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=1$.

If $W_1=\{v_{n-1}, v_n, v_1\}$, $W_2=\setminus W_1$ then v_n is adjacent to v_{n-1} and v_1 and all other vertices of W_2 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_n\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=1$.

Case:2

If $W_1=\{v_1,v_2\}$, $W_2=\setminus W_1$ then v_1 is adjacent to v_3, v_4, \dots, v_{n-1} and v_2 is adjacent to v_4, v_5, \dots, v_n . Also there exists a path from v_3 to v_n and v_1 is adjacent to v_2 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_2\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2$.

If $W_1=\{v_2,v_3\}$, $W_2=\setminus W_1$ then v_2 is adjacent to v_3, v_4, \dots, v_n and v_3 is adjacent to $v_1, v_5, v_6, \dots, v_n$. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_2, v_3\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2$.

Proceeding like this,

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_n\}$, $W_2=\setminus W_1$ then v_1 is adjacent to v_3, v_4, \dots, v_{n-1} and v_n is adjacent to v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{n-1} . Also there exists a path from v_2 to v_6 and v_1 is adjacent to v_n . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_n\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2$.

If $W_1=\{v_{n-1}, v_n\}$, $W_2=\setminus W_1$ then v_{n-1} is adjacent to v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{n-3} and v_n is adjacent to v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{n-2} . Also there exists a path from v_1 to v_{n-2} and v_{n-1} is adjacent to v_n . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_{n-1}, v_n\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2$.

Also if $W_1=\{v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5\}$, $W_2=\setminus W_1$ then v_3 is adjacent to $v_1, v_2, v_4, v_6, v_7, \dots, v_n$ and v_4 is adjacent to $v_1, v_3, v_5, \dots, v_n$. Also there exists a path from v_2 to v_5 and v_6 to v_n . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_3, v_4\}$. Hence

$$\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2.$$

If $W_1=\{v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6\}$, $W_2=\setminus W_1$ then v_4 is adjacent to $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_5, v_7, v_8, \dots, v_n$ and v_5 is adjacent to $v_1, v_2, v_4, v_6, v_7, \dots, v_n$. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_4, v_5\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2$.

Proceeding like this, if $W_1=\{v_{n-3}, v_{n-2}, v_{n-1}, v_n\}$, $W_2=\setminus W_1$ then v_{n-2} is adjacent to $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{n-4}, v_{n-3}, v_{n-1}$ and v_{n-1} is adjacent to

$v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{n-4}, v_{n-2}, v_n$. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_{n-2}, v_{n-1}\}$. Hence

$$\gamma_s(G_2^p) = 2.$$

case: 3

If $W_1=\{v_1\}$ and $V_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_1 is adjacent to v_3, v_4, \dots, v_{n-1} and there exists a path from v_2 to v_n . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_3, v_{n-1}\}$. Hence

$$\gamma_s(G_2^P)=3.$$

If $W_1=\{v_2\}$ and $V_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_2 is adjacent to v_4, v_5, \dots, v_n and there exists a path from v_3 to v_n . Also v_1 is adjacent to v_n . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_2, v_4, v_n\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^P)=3$.

Proceeding like this if $W_1=\{v_n\}$ and $V_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_n is adjacent to v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{n-2} and there exists a path from v_1 to v_{n-1} . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_2, v_{n-2}, v_n\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^P)=3$.

Also if $W_1=\{v_1, v_3\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then in G_2^P , v_2 is an isolated vertex. And v_1 is adjacent to v_4, v_5, \dots, v_{n-1} and v_3 is adjacent to v_5, v_6, \dots, v_n . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^P)=3$.

If $W_1=\{v_3, v_5\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then in G_2^P , v_4 is an isolated vertex. And v_3 is adjacent to $v_1, v_6, v_7, \dots, v_n$ and v_5 is adjacent to $v_1, v_2, v_7, v_8, \dots, v_n$. Also v_1 is adjacent to v_n . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_3, v_4, v_5\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^P)=3$.

If $W_1=\{v_2, v_4\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then in G_2^P , v_3 is an isolated vertex. And v_2 is adjacent to v_5, v_6, \dots, v_n and v_4 is adjacent to $v_1, v_6, v_7, \dots, v_n$. Also v_1 is adjacent to v_n . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_2, v_3, v_4\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^P)=3$.

Proceeding like this if $W_1=\{v_{n-3}, v_{n-1}\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then in G_2^P , v_{n-2} is an isolated vertex. And v_{n-3} is adjacent to $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{n-5}, v_n$. Also v_{n-1} is adjacent to $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{n-4}$. Also v_1 is adjacent to v_n . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_{n-1}, v_{n-2}, v_{n-3}\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^P)=3$.

If $W_1=\{v_{n-2}, v_n\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then in G_2^P , v_{n-1} is an isolated vertex. And v_{n-2} is adjacent to $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{n-4}$ and v_n is adjacent to $v_2, v_3, v_4, \dots, v_{n-4}, v_{n-3}$. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_{n-2}, v_{n-1}, v_n\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^P)=3$.

case: 4
n is odd

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_3, v_5\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then in G_2^P , v_1 is adjacent to v_4, v_6, \dots, v_{n-1} and v_3 is adjacent to v_6, v_7, \dots, v_n . Also v_5 is adjacent to

$v_2, v_7, v_8, \dots, v_n$. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_3, v_5, v_6\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^P)=4$.

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_3, v_5, v_7\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then in G_2^P , v_1 is adjacent to v_4, v_6, \dots, v_{n-1} and v_3 is adjacent to v_6, v_8, \dots, v_n . Also v_5 is adjacent to $v_2, v_8, v_9, \dots, v_n$. And v_7 is adjacent to $v_2, v_4, \dots, v_{n-5}, v_n$. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_3, v_5, v_6\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^P)=4$.

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_3, v_5, \dots, v_n\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then in G_2^P , v_1 is adjacent to v_n . And v_1 is adjacent to v_4, v_6, \dots, v_{n-1} . Also v_3 is adjacent to $v_6, v_8, v_{10}, \dots, v_{n-1}$ and v_5 is adjacent to $v_2, v_8, v_{10}, \dots, v_{n-1}$. v_n is adjacent to $v_2, v_4, v_6, \dots, v_{n-3}$. Therefore a

γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_5\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^P)=4$.

case: 5
n is even

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_3, v_5\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then in G_2^P , v_1 is adjacent to v_4, v_6, \dots, v_{n-1} and v_3 is adjacent to v_6, v_7, \dots, v_n . Also v_5 is adjacent to $v_2, v_7, v_8, \dots, v_n$. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_3, v_5, v_6, v_7\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^P)=5$.

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_3, v_5, v_7\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then in G_2^P , v_1 is adjacent to $v_4, v_6, \dots, v_{n-2}, v_{n-1}$ and v_3 is adjacent to $v_6, v_8, v_9, \dots, v_n$. Also v_5 is adjacent to

$v_2, v_8, v_9, \dots, v_n$. And v_7 is adjacent to $v_2, v_4, v_9, v_{10}, \dots, v_n$. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_7\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^P)=5$.

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_3, v_5, \dots, v_{n-3}\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then in G_2^P , v_1 is adjacent to v_4, v_6, \dots, v_{n-1} . Also v_3 is adjacent to $v_6, v_8, v_{10}, \dots, v_{n-1}, v_n$ and v_5 is adjacent to $v_2, v_8, v_{10}, \dots, v_n$. v_{n-3} is adjacent to $v_2, v_4, v_6, \dots, v_{n-6}, v_{n-1}$. Therefore a

γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_3, v_5, v_{n-4}, v_{n-1}\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^P)=5$.

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_3, v_5, \dots, v_{n-1}\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then in G_2^P , γ_s -set has 5 vertices to satisfy the set dominating set. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^P)=5$.

Note: 1.9

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_3, v_5\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then $\gamma_s(G_2^P)=3$ if $n=8$.

Proof:

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_3, v_5\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then in G_2^P , v_1 is adjacent to v_4, v_6, v_7 . Also v_3 is adjacent to v_6, v_7, v_8 and v_5 is adjacent to v_2, v_7, v_8 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_3, v_5\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^P)=3$ if $n=8$.

Theorem: 2.0

Let G be a path on n vertices ($n \geq 5$) say v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n . Let v_1 and v_n are pendant vertices and v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{n-1} are vertices of degree 2 then

Then $\gamma_s(G_2^P) = 1$ if $W_k = \{v_j \cup N(v_j)\}$, $j=1, n, k=1, 2$ or $W_k = \{v_s, v_{s+1}, v_{s+2}\}$, where v_s, v_{s+1}, v_{s+2}	<p>are of degree 2.</p> <p>2 if $W_k = \{v_j\}$ where $j=1, 2$ or $\{v_s, v_{s+1}\}$ or $\{v_1, v_n\}$</p> <p>3 if $W_k = \{v_j\}$, $2 \leq j \leq n-1, k=1, 2$ or $W_k = \{v_i, v_r\}$ where $i=1, n$</p> <p>4 if $W_k = \{v_i, v_r, v_s\}$ where v_i is a pendant vertex and v_r, v_s are non adjacent, non pendant vertices $k=1, 2$</p>
for	

5 if W_k has all alternative vertices for

$k=1,2$ where $n \geq 7$

Proof:

case :1

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_2\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_1 is adjacent to v_2 and there exists a path from v_3 to v_n . Moreover v_1 is adjacent to v_2 and all other vertices of W_2 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=1$.

If $W_1=\{v_{n-1}, v_n\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then there exists a path from v_1 to v_{n-2} . Moreover v_n is adjacent to v_{n-1} and all other vertices of W_2 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_n\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=1$.

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then there exists a path from v_4 to v_n . Moreover v_2 is adjacent to v_1 and v_3 and all other vertices of W_2 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_2\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=1$.

If $W_1=\{v_2, v_3, v_4\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_3 is adjacent to v_2 and v_4 and all other vertices of W_2 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_3\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=1$.

If $W_1=\{v_3, v_4, v_5\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_4 is adjacent to v_3 and v_5 and all other vertices of W_2 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_4\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=1$.

Proceeding like this,

If $W_1=\{v_{n-3}, v_{n-2}, v_{n-1}\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then there exists a path from v_1 to v_{n-4} . Moreover v_{n-2} is adjacent to v_{n-3} and v_{n-1} and all other vertices of W_2 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_{n-2}\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=1$.

case: 2

If $W_1=\{v_1\}$ and $V_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_1 is adjacent to v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n and there exists a path from v_2 to v_n . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_2\}$. Hence

$$\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2.$$

If $W_1=\{v_n\}$ and $V_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_n is adjacent to v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n-1} and there exists a path from v_1 to v_{n-1} . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_n, v_{n-1}\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2$.

If $W_1=\{v_2, v_3\}$ and $V_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_2 is adjacent to v_3, v_4, \dots, v_n and v_3 is adjacent to $v_1, v_5, v_6, \dots, v_n$. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_2, v_3\}$. Hence

$$\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2.$$

If $W_1=\{v_3, v_4\}$ and $V_2=V \setminus W_1$ then there exists a path from v_5 to v_n . And v_3 is adjacent to v_5, v_6, \dots, v_n and v_4 is adjacent to all other vertices of W_2 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_3, v_4\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2$.

Proceeding like this,

If $W_1=\{v_i, v_j\}$ where $i \neq j$ and $i, j \neq 1, n$ and $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_i is adjacent to $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{i-2}, v_{i+2}, \dots, v_n$ and v_j is adjacent to

$v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{j-2}, v_{j+2}, \dots, v_n$. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_i, v_j\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2$.

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_n\}$ and $V_2=V \setminus W_1$ then there exists a path from v_2 to v_{n-1} . And v_1 is adjacent to v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{n-1} and also v_n is adjacent to v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{n-2} . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_n\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2$.

case: 3

If $W_1=\{v_2\}$ and $V_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_1 is an isolated vertex and there exists a path from v_3 to v_n . Also v_2 is adjacent to v_4, v_5, \dots, v_n . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=3$.

If $W_1=\{v_3\}$ and $V_2=V \setminus W_1$ then there exists a path from v_4 to v_n . Also v_3 is adjacent to $v_1, v_5, v_6, \dots, v_n$. And v_1 is adjacent to v_2 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_3, v_{n-1}\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=3$.

Proceeding like this,

If $W_1=\{v_i\}$ where $i \neq 1, 2, n-1, n$ and $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then there exists a path from v_1 to v_{i-1} and v_{i+1} to v_n . Also v_i is adjacent to $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{i-2}, v_{i+2}, \dots, v_n$. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_{i-2}, v_i, v_{i+2}\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=3$.

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_3\}$ and $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_2 is an isolated vertex and there exists a path from v_4 to v_n . Also v_1 is adjacent to v_4, v_5, \dots, v_n . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=3$.

Proceeding like this

If $W_1=\{v_r, v_n\}$ and $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then there exists a path from v_1 to v_{n-3} and v_{n-2} to v_n . Also v_r is adjacent to $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{r-2}, v_{r+2}$. And v_n is adjacent to v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n-2} . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_r, v_n, v_3\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=3$.

case: 4

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_3, v_5\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then in G_2^p , v_1 is adjacent to $v_4, v_6, v_7, \dots, v_n$ and v_3 is adjacent to v_6, v_7, \dots, v_n . Also v_5 is adjacent to $v_2, v_7, v_8, \dots, v_n$. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_3, v_5, v_{n-1}\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=4$.

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_3, v_5\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ and $n=5$ then in G_2^p , v_3 is an isolated vertex. And v_1 is adjacent to v_4 and v_5 is adjacent to v_2 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_4, v_3, v_2\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=4$.

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_3, v_5\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ and $n=6$ then in G_2^p , v_1 is adjacent to v_4, v_6 and v_3 is adjacent to v_6 . Also v_5 is adjacent to v_2 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_2, v_5, v_6\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=4$.

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_3, v_{n-1}\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then in G_2^p , v_1 is adjacent to v_4, v_5, \dots, v_n and v_3 is adjacent to v_5, v_6, \dots, v_n . Also v_{n-1} is adjacent to

v_2, v_4, \dots, v_{n-3} . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_{n-1}, v_4, v_n\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=4$.

case: 5

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_3, v_5, v_7\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then in G_2^p , v_1 is adjacent to v_4, v_6, v_7, \dots ,

v_{n-3}, v_{n-1} and v_3 is adjacent to v_{n-1} . Also v_5 is adjacent to v_2 and v_7 is adjacent to v_2, v_4, \dots, v_{n-3} . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_2, v_4, v_{n-1}, v_n\}$. Hence

$$\gamma_s(G_2^p)=5.$$

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_3, v_5, v_7, v_9\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then in G_2^p , v_1 is adjacent to $v_4, v_6, v_8, \dots, v_{n-3}, v_{n-1}, v_n$ and v_3 is adjacent to $v_6, v_8, \dots, v_{n-3}, v_{n-1}, v_n$. Also v_5 is adjacent to $v_2, v_8, v_{10}, \dots, v_{n-1}, v_n$ and v_7 is adjacent to $v_2, v_4, v_{10}, \dots, v_n$. And v_9 is adjacent to $v_2, v_4, \dots, v_{n-4}, \dots, v_n$. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_5, v_8\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=5$.

Proceeding like this,

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_3, v_5, \dots, v_{2n-1}\}$, $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then in G_2^p , v_1 is adjacent to $v_4, v_6, v_8, \dots, v_n$ and v_3 is adjacent to v_6, v_8, \dots, v_n . Also v_5 is adjacent to $v_2, v_8, v_{10}, \dots, v_n$. \dots v_{n-1} is adjacent to $v_2, v_4, v_6, \dots, v_n$. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_{n-1}, v_n\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=5$.

Theorem: 2.1

Let G be a path on n vertices (n=3,4) say v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n . Let v_1 and v_n are pendant vertices and v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{n-1} are adjacent vertices of degree 2 then

$$\gamma_s(G_2^p) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } W_k=\{v_j\}, \text{ or } W_k=\{v_j \cup N(v_j)\} \text{ where } j=1, n, \\ & k=1, 2 \\ 2 & \text{if } W_k=\{v_j\} \text{ where } j \neq 1, n \text{ or } W_k=\{v_s, v_{s+1}\} \text{ where } \\ & v_s, v_{s+1} \text{ are of degree 2} \\ 3 & \text{if } W_k=\{v_1, v_3\} \text{ for } k=1, 2 \end{cases}$$

Proof:
case:1

If $W_1=\{v_1\}$ and $V_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_3 is adjacent to all other vertices. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_3\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=1$.

If $W_1=\{v_n\}$ and $V_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_2 is adjacent to all other vertices. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_2\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=1$.

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_2\}$ and $V_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_1 is adjacent to all other vertices. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=1$.

If $W_1=\{v_{n-1}, v_n\}$ and $V_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_n is adjacent to v_{n-1} and all other vertices of W_1 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_n\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=1$.

case:2

If $W_1=\{v_2\}$ and $V_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_1 is an isolated vertex. Also v_4 is adjacent to v_2, v_3 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_4\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2$.

If $W_1=\{v_3\}$ and $V_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_4 is an isolated vertex. And v_1 is adjacent to v_2, v_3 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_4\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2$.

If $W_1=\{v_2, v_3\}$ and $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_2 is adjacent to v_3, v_4 . And v_3 is adjacent to v_1 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_2, v_3\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2$.

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_n\}$ and $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ then v_1 is adjacent to v_3 . And v_2 is adjacent to v_3 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_2, v_3\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=2$.

case: 3

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_3\}$ and $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ and $n=3$ then G_2^p is a union of an isolated vertices. Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$. Hence $\gamma_s(G_2^p)=3$.

If $W_1=\{v_1, v_3\}$ and $W_2=V \setminus W_1$ and $n=4$ then v_2 and v_3 are isolated vertices. And v_1 is adjacent to v_4 . Therefore a γ_s -set is $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$. Hence

$$\gamma_s(G_2^p)=3.$$

Theorem: 2.2

If G and G_2^p are connected graphs then $2 \leq \gamma_s(G) + \gamma_s(G_2^p) \leq n+2$.

Proof:

Let G and G_2^p are connected graphs then $\gamma_s(G) \geq 1$ and $\gamma_s(G_2^p) \geq 1$. Therefore $2 \leq \gamma_s(G) + \gamma_s(G_2^p)$.

Also we can justify $\gamma_s(G) + \gamma_s(G_2^p) \leq n+2$ with the following examples.

Example: 2.21

Consider the path with 6 vertices with v_1 and v_6 are pendant vertices and v_2, v_3, \dots, v_5 are vertices of degree 2. Take the partition $V_1 = \{v_2, v_5\}, V_2 = \{v_1, v_3, v_4, v_6\}$ then $\gamma_s(G_2^p) \leq 4$.

And $\gamma_s(G)=4$.

$$\text{Therefore } \gamma_s(G) + \gamma_s(G_2^p) \leq 8 = n+2$$

Example: 2.22

Consider Star with n vertices ($n \geq 3$). Take the partition $V_1 = \{v_1, v_2\}, V_2 = \{v_3, v_4, \dots, v_n\}$ then $\gamma_s(G_2^p) \geq 1$ and $\gamma_s(G)=1$.

$$\text{Therefore } \gamma_s(G) + \gamma_s(G_2^p) \geq 2.$$

Remark: 2.3

If any one of the partitions of G_2^p contains an isolated vertex then $\gamma_s(G_2^p) \geq 2$.

Conjecture: 2.4

G_n^p has n components if n-complementary of complete graphs.

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